

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, California 90012

Director of Parks and Recreation

At its meeting held September 30, 2003, the Board took the following action:

4 The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisor Knabe:

"During the month of October, the County of Los Angeles will be joining the Lupus International Foundation to eradicate Lupus by supporting Lupus research and alleviate suffering for Lupus patients through patient services and early detection. Lupus is a chronic, autoimmune disease that causes inflammation of various parts of the body, especially skin, joints and kidneys. Lupus is not infectious, rare or cancerous. Lupus strikes primarily in women in their childbearing years from the ages of 16 to 45. With 2.8 million Americans that suffer from Lupus daily, the true sadness of the disease is that there is no cure and the treatments used today have severe side effects. For most people, it may cause serious and even life-threatening problems. Thousands of people die each year from Lupus-related complications.

"The Lupus International Foundation has provided supportive services at little or no cost to the patient and has increased awareness by participating in health fairs, symposiums providing education and support groups, the 'Lupus Line,' a quarterly magazine which reports on new research findings and treatments, and a support hotline for persons with Lupus and their families.

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"The Lupus International Foundation also provides outreach efforts to the medical community to help them understand the various symptoms of Lupus, diagnosis of the disease and ways to treat and fund research projects for finding a cure through its various fundraising events, such as the 'Lupus Race for Life' event being held on Sunday, October 19, 2003 at La Mirada Regional Park."

Therefore, at the suggestion of Supervisor Knabe and on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Molina, unanimously carried (Supervisors Knabe and Antonovich being absent), the Board waived fees in the amount of \$800.00, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for use of La Mirada County Park for the Lupus International's 4th Annual "Lupus Race for Life" 5K Run and Walk, to be held October 19, 2003.

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